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Arrangements have been completed for the May meeting of the Rhode Island Avenue Suburban Citizens' Association, to be held tonight at 8 o'clock in the Sunday school room of the Sherwood Presbyterian Church, 22d street and Rhode Island avenue northeast.

Consul General Frank Dillingham re-ports that an Atlanta, Ga., firm which produces a soda fountain drink is about to build a \$250,000 factory at Winnipeg.

'Dime" and "Nickel" Novels Targets for Library Association Speakers.

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PROGRAM TONIGHT.

Continental Memorial Hall 8:15 p.m., business session. "The Present Trend." Charles Knowles Bolton, librarian of the Boston Athenaeum.

Recent Library Development in the South," Katharine H. Woot-ten, librarian Carnegle Library, Atlanta, Ga.
"The Educational Work of the American Federation of Arts,"
Robert W. De Forest, LL. D.,
president. and Leila Mechlin, secretary of the federation. (Miss
Mechlin's address will be illustrated by the stereopticon.)

PROGRAM TOMORROW.

9:30 a.m., joint session of the League of Library Commissions and Agricultural Libraries Section. (New Willard) 9:30 a.m., Catalogue Section, second session. (New Willard.)

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10 a.m.. Special Libraries Association. (New Willard.)

2:30 p.m., Council. (New Willard.)

2:30 p.m., Branch Librarians'
Round Table. (New Willard.)

2:30 p.m., National Association of
State Libraries, second session.

(New Ebbitt.) (New Ebbitt.)

inds of cheap juvenile literature, much of which has found its way into the lives of the reading room, Library of Congress, of the youths and young girls of this on "How to Use the National Library in New Willard Hotel.

Franklin K. Mathiews, chief scout libra rian of the Boy Scouts of America, and Mary Ely, head of children's department, public library. Dayton, Ohio, were two

He said the leaders of the movemen with the co-operation of several of the leading magazines have done notable work in eliminating, in a considerable novel. He said that at the present time this effort is continuing against the type of stories which have been found mount-ed in the disguise of good binding on the shelves of many book stores—the same vicious "nickel" novel secreted

ithin an attractive cover.
"The Boy Scout movement has also had onsiderable work to do to protect itself om the so-called 'Boy Scout books,' so from the so-called 'Boy Scout books,' so it has been necessary to organize a library commission within the movement to censor questionable books," he declared. "This commission has gone further and gives its approval to books issued under the beating 'Every Roy's Library." the heading 'Every Boy's Library.'

The speaker said that in June, 1912, the National Boy Scout Organization purchased the "Boys' Life Magazine," because it was deemed necessary to prevent the exploitation of the boys of America by individuals using the name of the organization to the incalculable harm of the movement.

"Gang" Spirit Recognized. "The Boy Scout movement has recog-

nized and built upon the 'gang' spirit. In stories, the 'gang' makes an irresistible appeal," he declared, "Good authors have not been so quick to sense this point of contact with the boy mind as have

Children's Books Bad.

That the children's librarians find themselves today facing a serious situation in the ever-increasing output of Carr, director of the Immigration Educa-

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Work for Good Reading.

"Toward the first end librarians have already established Christmas exhibits of best books for children, have published commended lists of books and have seized every opportunity to talk to moth ers' clubs and teachers' associations. These activities should be continued and broadened in the future. That every children's book department in the land shall be supervised by some one who knows good books and loves them is unquestionably an end to be worked for.

"In regard to lowering book prices it does not appear that much has yet been done by the libraries. The Boy Scout organization is working upon that very problem, and in this as in all their activities it should have the hearty co-operation of every children's librarian.
"In the race to carry books to the child, commercial interests have seemed, up to this point, to have outdistanced the true lovers of the book and child. It is high time for those who see the danger to be up and doing, swift of foot and sure of purpose. Perhaps it might not be

of purpose. Perhaps it might not be amiss to have a few pure book laws to protect our souls and minds as well as pure food laws to guard our health!"

Labors of Children's Bureau.

"The Work of the Children's Bureau was the subject of a paper by Laura A. Thomson, librarian of the children's bureau here. A discussion of the subject followed by Julia C. Lathrop, chief of the bureau, and Annie Carroll Moore, super-visor of work with children, New York Public Library.

Visor of work with children, New York Public Library.

The National Association of State Libraries held its first session this morning at the New Ebbitt, at which J. I. Wyer, jr., director of New York State Library and president of the association, presided. Following his address, C. B. Lester, Wisconsin Legislative Reference Library and secretary-treasurer of the association, gave his report.

The committee on public archives, of which H. R. McIlwaine, librarian of the Virginia State Library, is chairman, gave a report, while H. J. Harris, chief of the division of documents, Library of Congress, gave a report on the Library of Congress, gave a report on the Library of Congress and the state libraries. A discussion of the reports followed.

The League of Library Commission net this afternoon at the New Willard "Dime" and "nickel" novels, various Hotel, and the session opened with an address by W. W. Bishop, superintendent A business meeting of the college and reference section is scheduled for this afternoon at the New Willard Hotel, at

public library, Dayton, Ohio, were two speakers who flayed the distribution of such books among the younger generation of this country.

Mr. Mathiews, in his paper on "The Book Department, Boy Scouts of America," said that the "Handbook for Boys," published by the Boy Scout movement, is the most popular juvenile of the declared that in the last four years more than 400,000 copies have been sold, and that the demand continues, so that it is significant that from the very beginning the scout movement has been influential in directing the reading of boys.

Trash Is Eliminated.

Which officers for the ensuing year are to be elected.

A paper descriptive of the workings of the Boston co-operative information bureau was read at a session this afternoon of the Special Libraries Association in the Gridlorn room of the New Willard Hotel by G. W. Lee of Boston. Mass. He described the bureau as essentially a clearing house of information with reference service included, the object being to place in the hands of the inquirer information on any and every subject desired. The work of the bureau are confined at the present time principally to Boston. Mr. Lee stated that they were gradually extending into the country and that the service is available by mail.

Has Index of Resources. The bureau has a card index of many resources of the community, taking an account not only of printed material, nore especially in the collections of way making note of the larger libraway making note of the larger libraries, but also noting specialists and
their specialites, and in the broader
sense trying to keep a record of where
to find things out. All this is described in a series of bulletins, of
which seven have been issued, the
eighth now about ready for distribution. The terms of the bureau vary
from mere co-operation, without
charge, to \$100, as noted in the letter

from mere co-operation, without charge, to \$100, as noted in the latest bulletin. The questions vary from those that are answered by the usual public library to those that one is more apt to put to a chamber of commerce. apt to put to a chamber of commerce. Thus the bureau has functions to perform besides the mere reference work. To act as a temporary clearing house of opinions with regard to reference books, such as encyclopedias and dictionaries, is within its scope.

The meeting opened with a brief review of the work of the past year. The subject for discussion was "Co-Operative Information Getting; What Has Been and Is Being Done; What May Be Done."

Co-Operation Their Theme.

John A. Lapp, director Indianapolis bureau of legislative information, In-dianapolis, Ind., gave a report on "Meth-ods Followed and Results Achieved of contact with the boy mind as have the authors of mediocre and distinctly inferior stories. Through the Boy Scout movement, opportunity is presented to make very good use of this value in writing stories about Boy Scout troops; showing how they under the influence of the scout oath and law do things which are best for boys to do, and how much fun they have in doing them." Mr. Mathiews described the work of the magazine Boys' Life by showing how it presents stimulating and encouraging messages to boys from living great men."

Mr. Mathiews concluded by giving several illustrations of the enormous output of certain so-called "authors" of "nickel" novels, mentioning one instance of an "author" who wrote under twelve names and of another who employed a staff of writers, the latter in the last year producing forty-one books.

Children's Books Bad.

Province of the Library.

"The library was long a sort of institutional Lord Bacon," declared John Foster tion in the ever-increasing output of worse than worthless children's books, the extent to which these books are advertised and the numbers in which they are sold, was the statement of Mary Ely, head of the children's department, Public Library, Dayton, Ohio.

"The situation not only faces the librarians, but presses itself upon them," she declared. "The time is past when they can feel that they have maintained a high standard in the selection of books for the library shelves. It is more and more apparent that the public library is only one, and far from the library is only one, and far from the control of the Immigrant." He said all learning was its province. Now its province has become all life, and for the immigrant it is a school of American life. Through papers and books in his own language, it helps him to knowledge of American conditions that make his daily living easier, and raises its standard. It is helping him to learn English, that will improve his working skill and wages, and reduce by one-half, as English does, his liability to serious industrial accident. This is the truth of the practice as well

helping him to learn English, that will improve his working skill and wages, and reduce by one-half, as English does, his liability to serious industrial accident. This is the truth of the practice as well as of theory."

The speaker said that Providence, R. I., reports that the hunger for books among our immigrants is keen and universal. "Boston, welcoming the unskilled laborer as well as the cultured student of classics, has made striking progress in these new has made striking progress in these new efforts the last three or four years, and incidentally has discovered—eloquent tes-timony to the ambition in the homes of these workers—that the 'children of for-eign-born parents read a better class of books than their American brothers and sisters.'

Foreign Customs Disappear.

"The community life of our foreign colnies rapidly passes. Its picturesqueness and foreign customs vanish, its theaters and festivals. Even its music dies. And in spite of every effort its speech is slow. ly lost. Of all our immigrants the Ger mans have been among the most literate and the most tenacious of their national and the most tenacious of their national culture. Yet with the passing of the generation of the great mass of our German immigrants. German is steadily losing ground. Papers and periodicals printed in that language reached their highest point of development and popularity just twenty years ago. Since then their listed number has diminished by nearly a third; and in spite of improved methods of business and publicity, their estimated circulation has fallen off over 360,000 within ten years. Even in the New York LiAbe Martin Says:



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brary, with all the new inducements and attractions, and interested American readers, though German still far outdis-tances all other foreign languages in the circulation of books, the annual increase or this last year barely exceeds one-half of 1 per cent.

"There can be no question of danger to our English from these foreign languages. The menace is their disappearance and the loss to us in practical and pleasant the loss to us in practical and pleasant knowledge of many forms. The use of foreign languages could now easily be made a national accomplishment, as it is in many countries of the continent. But in indifference we are letting the opportunity pass, forgetting that our nation, for all the races of its origin, will never become great on its cosmopolitan plan unless we respect and nourish the culture and all the precious heritage of the centuries, developed by other countries at such heavy sacrifice, and brought us, sometimes humbly and indirectly, by the millions of our immigrants."

Urges Archive Building.

Narrating those facts in the history of the federal administration which had led to the present dispersed condition of governmental archives in Washington, to of the youths and young girls of this country, were denounced in papers read at a meeting of the children's librarians' section of the American Library Association conference this morning at the ciation conference for the ciation conference this morning at the ciation conference for the ciation conference this morning at the ciation conference for the ciation conference this morning at the ciation conference for the ciation conference this morning at the ciation conference for the cia partment of historical research in the Carnegie Institution here, spoke on "The Need of a National Archives Building." He showed by striking examples the evils of the present situation, and he pointed to the erection of a national ar-

thives building as the only satisfactory emedy. He said Congress in the public buildings act of March 4, 1918, authorized buildings act of March 4, 1918, authorized the Secretary of the Treasury to make plans for such a building, but no money was appropriated for making plans. He said a clause appropriating the needed sum in the sundry civil appropriation bill is now before the House committee on appropriations.

'Libraries for Rural Communities." He declared that in spite of the development of libraries in this country in the past twenty-five years, two-thirds of the population are denied adequate access to real collection of books. He said the best equipped libraries are where they do the least good. "A library should be in every county

stalled in every county boasting of a good-sized town, and it should be accessible to every man, woman and child in the county, upon whom a tax should be imposed to maintain it."

At the afternoon session of the American Association of Law Libraries in the New Ebbitt House officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, E. J. Lien, Minnesota; vice president, C. Will Shaffer, Olympia, Wash.; second vice president, Mrs. Maud B. Cobb, Atlanta, Ga.; secretary, Gertrude Woodward, Michigan; treasurer, Edwin H. Redstone, Boston, Mass.; executive committee, Franklin O. Poole, New York; Fred W. Schenk, Chicago; O. J. Fjeld, District of Columbia, and E. O. S. Scholefield, Victoria, British Columbia. field, Victoria, British Columbia, Among the exhibits at the headquarters



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of the Special Libraries Association in \$44,377.28 and opposite it a photograph the Gridiron Club room at the New Wil- of the twelve volumes of the thirteen; ard Hotel, showing the activities of census of the United States, taken in pecialized libraries, that of the bureau 1910, which cost \$15,000,000. of the census is interesting and has attracted much attention. The exhibit characteristic shelves of the library of

said a clause appropriating the needed sum in the sundry civil appropriation bill is now before the House committee on appropriations.

Dr. Jameson said advantage should be taken of European experience and advice. Europe having naturally had much longer and more varied experience in archive and more varied experience in archive sought to be, he declared, the finest archives building in the world. The speaker also dwelt upon the need of having ultimately an archival organization, for which, indeed, provision should be made before the building is finished.

Advocates More Libraries.

An earnest plea for more public libraries in the United States, especially in the rural sections of the country, was made by Dr. P. P. Claxton, United States commissioner of education, in an address on "I threating for many forms and similar Remarkers in the treated much attention. The exhibits are mounted on card-to-charge of the Census Bureau Library.

The exhibits are mounted on card-board and consist of photographs, clippings, cards, pamphlets, library forms and similar material illustrating libraries and their work. A fine photograph of the catalogue cards for the catalogue cards f

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